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8/26/02

Re: Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A
Palmetto Bayou Field
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Exxon Mobil Corporation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order covering the following matters pertaining to the Robulus L. Zone, Reservoir A, of the Palmetto Bayou Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A, in the Palmetto Bayou Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the ROBU L RA SU C as shown on the plat attached hereto;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;

4. To designate Exxon Mobil Corporation as Unit Operator for the proposed unit.
5. To designate a unit well for the proposed unit.
6. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A.

The Robulus L Zone, Palmetto Bayou Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 998-E, effective November 27, 2001.

In accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, applicant will post a copy of the Legal Notice of the hearing in a prominent place in the area affected and publish a copy of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the vicinity or general area of the affected field at least fifteen days prior to the date of the hearing.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Matthew A. Jurik, ExxonMobil Production Company, P. O. Box 61707, New Orleans, Louisiana (504) 561-3235.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a letter dated July 19, 2002, was mailed to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and all Interested Parties notifying them of applicant's intention to file this application and scheduling a conference to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana on August 14, 2002. The conference was held as scheduled. The undersigned explained the applicant's proposal and questions were answered by ExxonMobil representatives. No counterplans were presented. Mr. Frank Harrison, representing Devon Energy Corp., stated that Devon had not yet developed its position and reserved all of its rights in this matter.

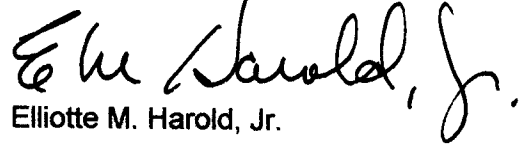
Attached hereto is a plat showing the proposed unit and a list of attendees at the conference. Also attached is a list of the names of Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and all Interested Parties to whom copies of this application are being sent. A reasonable effort has been made to obtain a complete and accurate list. The list will be furnished to any party

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upon request. A copy of this application is also being mailed to your District Manager in Lafayette, Louisiana. Finally, you will find enclosed a check to cover the application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS, MAYHALL
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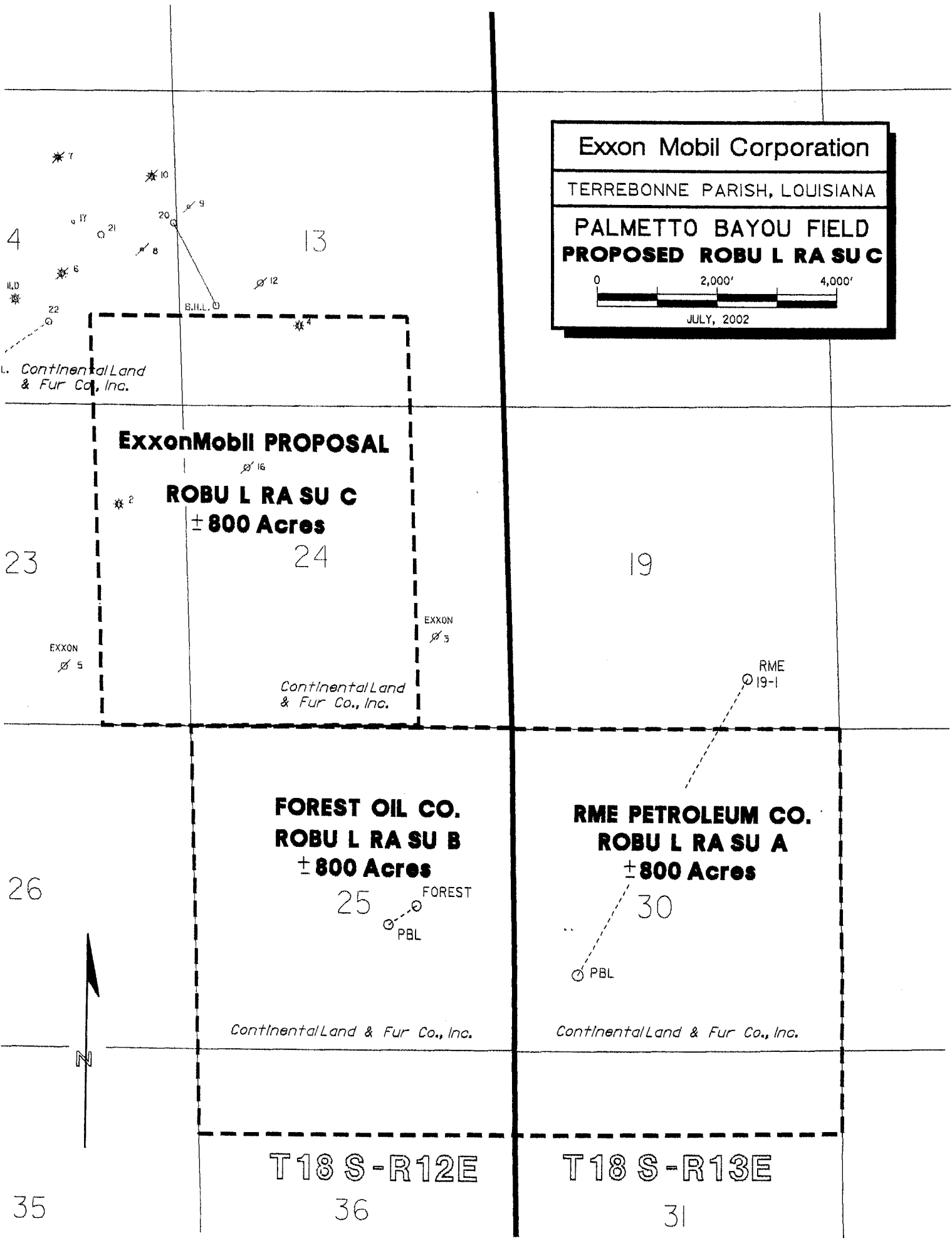
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Elliotte M. Harold, Jr.

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Enclosures

C: Mr. Richard Hudson
District Manager

Interested Parties
Interested Owners
Represented Parties
Attendees at Pre-Application
Conference



Exxon Mobil Corporation

TERREBONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PALMETTO BAYOU FIELD
PROPOSED ROBU L RA SU C

0 2,000' 4,000'

JULY, 2002

ExxonMobil PROPOSAL

ROBU L RA SU C
± 800 Acres

FOREST OIL CO.
ROBU L RA SU B
± 800 Acres

RME PETROLEUM CO.
ROBU L RA SU A
± 800 Acres

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